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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following information to the Examiner's attention:

Copies of two Canadian Office Actions dated November 25, 2002 with respect to related Canadian Application Nos. 2,396,963 and 2,398,865 are enclosed, in which the following documents were cited:

U.S. Patent No. 5,668,857 to McHALE, which issued on September 16, 1997.

Applicant notes that this document was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on May 21, 1999; and

U.S. Patent No. 5,796,808 to SCOTT et al., which issued on August 18, 1998.

Applicant notes that this document was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on October 18, 1999.

A copy of a Korean Notice of Preliminary Rejection (together with an English

language translation of the same) dated November 28, 2002 with respect to related Korean Application No. 10-1999-7008157 is enclosed, in which the following document was cited:

U.S. Patent No. 5,668,857 to McHALE (mentioned above).

A copy of a Korean Notice of Preliminary Rejection (together with an English language translation of the same) dated December 17, 2002 with respect to related Korean Application No. 10-1999-7010630 is enclosed, in which the following documents were cited:

U.S. Patent No. 5,311,578 to BREMER et al., which issued on May 10, 1994. Applicant notes that this document was previously submitted with an Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on October 18, 1998; and

U.S. Patent No. 5,463,661 to MORAN III et al., which issued on October 31, 1995. Applicant notes that this document was previously submitted with an Information Disclosure Statement filed in the instant application on October 18, 1998.

The pertinent portions of the above documents are as noted on the attached copies of the Canadian Office Actions and the Korean Notices of Preliminary Rejection.

Applicant notes that copies of the above-mentioned documents were previously submitted with the previously filed Information Disclosure Statements, and thus, copies of the same are not attached hereto.

Applicant also submits a copy of an Australian Examination Report dated December 18, 2002 with respect to Singapore Application No. SG 9904001-6. Applicant notes that no references are cited in this document; however, a copy of the same is attached hereto for the Examiner's review.

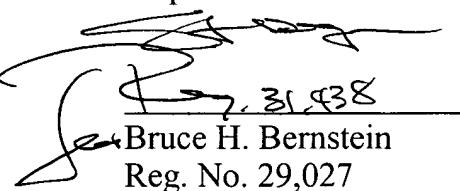
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and cite these patent documents. The above-cited documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is attached hereto. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents in the manner considered by the Canadian and Korean Patent Offices to complete the record in the present application.

As noted above, the documents cited herein were previously cited to the Examiner and considered by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicant submits that it is not necessary to pay any governmental fee at this time.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed number.

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